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### **ATTENTION**

# NEW AND AMENDED BANKRUPTCY RULES NEW AND AMENDED BANKRUPTCY OFFICIAL FORMS

### **EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 2009**

#### TO ALL BANKRUPTCY PRACTITIONERS

Several official and procedural forms will be updated to address timing changes as a result of the amendments to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, approved by the Supreme Court of the United States on March 26, 2009, to remove inconsistency and unnecessary complications associated with the computation of time periods in the Rules. A complete list of the revised forms and instructions will be posted at <a href="http://www.uscourts.gov/bankform/index.html">http://www.uscourts.gov/bankform/index.html</a>. The revised forms and instructions will be effective December 1, 2009.

In addition, the Supreme Court of the United States has approved the following proposed nontime computation rules amendments and new rules: Bankruptcy Rules 2016, 4008, 7052, 9006, 9015, 9021, 9023, and new Rule 7058. These rules will take effect on December 1, 2009, unless Congress enacts legislation to reject, modify, or defer the amendments. Rule 4008 is amended to insert a requirement that the Official Form of a reaffirmation cover sheet be filed with the court along with the reaffirmation agreement. Official Form 27 is the new form for the Reaffirmation Agreement amendments Cover Sheet. The may be accessed at http://www.uscourts.gov/rules/supct0309.html